

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: SANDSTROM, Ola et al. Conf.:
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For: DEVICE AND SYSTEM FOR INFORMATION
MANAGEMENT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

November 8, 2001

Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

4. (Amended) A filling appliance according to claim 1, wherein sheets in at least a subset of said plurality of sheets are provided with a position-coding pattern so that information filled in on a sheet in the subset by means of said drawing device is recordable as a digital graphical input, the filing appliance comprising a number of appearance icons, a marketing of an

appearance icon by means of said drawing device being adapted to give the digital graphical input a visual property.

7. (Amended) A filing apparatus according to claim 1, which comprises an address field provided with a position-coding patter, and an order icon, a marking of the order icon by means of said drawing device being adapted to initiate an operation in the computer system which operation performs an order of another filing appliance to be delivered to the address entered in the address field.

8. (Amended) A filing appliance according to claim 1, wherein at least some sheets in a subset of said plurality of sheets are provided with a position-coding pattern, so that information filled in on a sheet in the subset can be recorded by means of said drawing device as digital graphical inputs, and a send icon provided with a position-coding pattern, a marking of the send icon by means of the drawing device initiating an operation in the computer system, in which operation graphical inputs entered on the sheet are transferred to the computer system and optionally on to an external computer system.

9. (Amended) A filing appliance according to claim 1, wherein said information object comprises a table in a database.

10. (Amended) A filing appliance according to claim 1, wherein said information object comprises a file.

11. (Amended) A filing appliance according to claim 1, further comprising an archiving icon, a marking of the archiving icon being adapted to initiate an operation wherein position information corresponding to strokes of the drawing device, which strokes are generated after a reference time point, is transmitted from the drawing device to the computer system.

REMARKS

The claims have been amended merely to delete the improper multiple dependencies and to place the application into better form for examination. Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the application by this Amendment.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

The claims have been amended as follows:

4. (Amended) A filling appliance according to [any one of the preceding claims]claim 1, wherein sheets in at least a subset of said plurality of sheets are provided with a position-coding pattern so that information filled in on a sheet in the subset by means of said drawing device is recordable as a digital graphical input, the filing appliance comprising a number of appearance icons, a marketing of an appearance icon by means of said drawing device being adapted to give the digital graphical input a visual property.

7. (Amended) A filing apparatus according to [any one of the preceding claims]claim 1, which comprises an address field provided with a position-coding patter, and an order icon, a marking of the order icon by means of said drawing device being adapted to initiate an operation in the computer system which operation performs an order of another filing appliance to be delivered to the address entered in the address field.

8. (Amended) A filing appliance according to [any one of the preceding claims]claim 1, wherein at least some sheets in a subset of said plurality of sheets are provided with a position-coding pattern, so that information filled in on a sheet in the subset can be recorded by means of said drawing device as digital graphical inputs, and a send icon provided with a position-coding pattern, a marking of the send icon by means of the drawing device initiating an operation in the computer system, in which operation graphical inputs entered on the sheet are transferred to the computer system and optionally on to an external computer system.

9. (Amended) A filing appliance according to [any one of the preceding claims]claim 1, wherein said information object comprises a table in a database.

10. (Amended) A filing appliance according to [any one of the preceding claims]claim 1, wherein said information object comprises a file.

11. (Amended) A filing appliance according to [any one of the preceding claims]claim 1, further comprising an archiving icon, a marking of the archiving icon being adapted to initiate an operation wherein position information corresponding to strokes of the drawing device, which strokes are generated after a reference time point, is transmitted from the drawing device to the computer system.